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Majority prices were unchanged in the West, lower elsewhere. Trade sentiment was mixed, mostly about steady to weak. Retail demand was usually light to moderate, best for active retail ads and first of the month activity. Food service was moderate at best. Offerings were sufficient to at least adequate, depending on size and location; floor stocks were balanced. In the parts structure, movement was light to fair, with market conditions being carefully assessed. Breast items and wings were at least adequate to ample, and dark meat was readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 03-OCT-2005.

(cents per lb)		US GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	65.48	23
Chicago	62.00-65.00	65.19	39 :	66.46	73
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	62.69	25
Denver	81.50	81.32	15 :	81.55	16
Detroit	62.00-64.00	64.64	11 :	68.08	60
Los Angeles	82.00	80.69	55 :	72.12	145
New York	66.00-69.00	68.39	23 :	67.31	59
Philadelphia	65.50-67.00	66.27	11 :	65.96	24
Pittsburgh	65.00-68.00	66.67	12 :	70.50	58
St. Louis	64.25-64.50	63.86	20 :	64.48	33
San Francisco	82.50	81.90	34 :	77.29	84

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	10/03/05	Change/Last Wk	09/26/05	10/04/04
600	69.48	-.73	70.21	69.44

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	69.00-72.00	70.24	32
Central	53.00-73.00	67.89	75
Western	55.00-72.00	69.31	33
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	74.00-76.00	74.90	89

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 75.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,124	62.00-76.87	73.83
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
LINE RUN TENDERS	172.50	1,513
BREASTS - B/S	148.00	6,453
BREASTS - WHOLE	86.00	1,558
THIGH MEAT - B/S	141.50	1,056
LEG QUARTERS	49.00	8,484
WINGS	95.50	3,023

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was no better than fair entering the week. Offerings of 3.5 and heavier sizes were generally sufficient for current needs; at least adequate on the balance. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, breast items were fully adequate; dark meat cuts were at least sufficient. Tenderloins and wings were readily available and slow to clear.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was no better than steady. Demand following the weekend was light to fair with limited trading, and mixed opinions for first of the month. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient to easily handle trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was mostly fair. Breast items and wings were at least adequate to ample with little movement, and dark meat was adequate to readily available with drums in the longest balance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices unchanged throughout the region. Trade sentiment was barely steady. Reported trading for this weeks' delivery at unchanged prices for regular comments and mixed on new negotiation. Offerings generally adequate on sized product and ample on random weights. Excess product often discounted to help stimulate buying activity. Retail demand was fair to fairly good. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was down 1.71 to 60.44, with the volume reported at 25 loads down 7 percent. The market tone was barely steady to weak on breast and wings, about steady on dark meat items.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices moved lower from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was steady to weak. Offerings moderate to heavy for a cautious and limited trade call. Retail and food service movement mostly light to moderate with retail features providing best interest. Floor stocks in a full range with transport disruptions causing some shortages in the St. Louis market. Weights desirable. Parts trade was lacking on fully adequate supplies. The market tone was about steady to weak on all parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was improved compared to late last week, but generally remained no better than fair and somewhat disappointing for the first-of-the month. Offerings were closely cleared on the 4.00 pound sizes; at least adequate on the balance. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable, occasionally light. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 67 to 79 cents. Trade sentiment was unsettled and no better than steady. In the parts complex, supplies were fully adequate. Thighs and giblets were often noted as clearing satisfactorily.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	67-82
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) NOT REPORTED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers cautiously assess market conditions. Offerings of breast items were fully sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts were at least adequate. Wings were fully adequate. Tenderloins were fully adequate to ample. Retail and distributive movement was light to fair at best. The market tone was barely steady on breast items, wings and tenderloins. Dark meat items were about steady.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
			AVG	/LBS
BREAST - B/S		125	123.53	602,140
TENDERLOINS		130	138.37	170,040
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79		85.58	66,080
BREAST - LINE RUN	78		77.38	72,000
LEGS	63-64		63.05	183,200
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	47-48		47.94	242,653
DRUMSTICKS	51-52		58.31	68,700
THIGHS	61-62		69.43	49,400
B/S THIGHS	135-136		123.45	92,740
WINGS (WHOLE)	90-91		88.29	257,000
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12		11.27	12,280
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55		49.42	23,945
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75		75.00	12,800

INCL: NY CITY METRO, N. NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NE OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,194	105.00-156.00	113-126	122.91
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	748	42.00-47.00	42-45	44.86
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,606	44.00-48.00	44-46	45.88
WINGS (WHOLE)	417	69.00-98.00	87-93	88.68
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,434	40.00-56.00	54-56	54.26

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	(1,000)	(1,000)		(1,000)	
	10/03	09/29	09/29	09/26	09/22
Alabama	4,129	4,011	5.18	3,867	5.22
Arkansas	5,139	5,131	5.33	5,073	5.18
Delmarva	2,295	2,317	5.62	2,217	5.53
KY-LA-TN	2,264	2,376	5.04	2,142	5.08
Mississippi	2,809	3,022	5.71	3,102	5.68
North Carolina	2,497	2,477	6.43	2,455	6.50
Texas	2,514	2,552	5.18	1,752	5.09
Total	21,647	21,886	5.46	20,608	5.42
Mon	21,647(A)			20,608(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 03-Oct 2005 is estimated to be 32,386,000 up 4.73 percent from a week ago. and up 2.2 percent from a year ago.
(last week 30,924,000 last year 31,702,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S	662	109.00-185.00	112-116	119.21
TENDERLOINS	163	132.00-165.00	133-135	134.75
BREAST - LINE RUN	125	77.00-89.00	79-83	81.48
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	599	42.00-48.00	45-46	45.53
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	455	43.00-49.00	46-47	46.54
WINGS (WHOLE)	335	75.00-95.00	85-87	86.30
WINGS (CUT)	325	102.00-106.00	103-105	104.20
DRUMSTICKS	101	46.00-73.00	45-47	49.63
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS	120	125.00-145.00	-	132.50

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR OCTOBER 03, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
48.50 - 53.50	51.12	51.07

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 03-07-OCT-2005.

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	110.00 - 134.00	119.00 - 131.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	78.00 - 103.00	78.00 - 84.00
LEGS	63.00 - 69.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	40.00 - 55.00	46.00 - 48.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	45.00 - 57.00	47.00 - 49.00
DRUMSTICKS	43.00 - 61.00	-
THIGHS	45.00 - 68.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	70.00 - 104.00	89.00 - 93.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 50.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 70.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	94.5-104.5
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	91-107
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	105-107
DRY PACK	108
ROASTERS 4# & UP	108-112
DRY PACK	111-112
HENS OVER 5#	93-95
ICE PACK	95-105
DRY PACK	180-192
DUCKS	

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2005				
<u>CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED</u>		PRICES		VOLUME
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	20.50	18.00-20.00	544,000	104,000
WTD AVERAGE	20.50	19.64		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.00-21.00	15.00-20.00	1,732,000	1,092,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.67	18.00		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2005				
<u>CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED</u>		PRICES		VOLUME
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	22.00	40,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		22.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.00-20.00	16.00-22.00	968,000	481,600
WTD AVERAGE	17.86	19.40		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was about fair for the adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product were mostly adequate for current needs. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 03-OCT-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-16	12-14	13.26
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 03-OCT-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-16.25	12-13.75	12.97

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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